



Representative Timothy R. Johns

South Dakota State House of Representatives

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Representative Matthew Wollman
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Via email to matthew.wollman@gmail.com and matthew.wollman@sdlegislature.gov.
and via hand delivery

Dear Representative Wollman:

You are hereby notified that, on January 18, 2017, pursuant to the vote of the members-elect of the South Dakota House of Representatives, a Select Committee on Discipline and Expulsion was established to investigate your conduct as a Representative while serving during the 90th and 91st Sessions of the South Dakota House of Representatives. You are further notified that a committee meeting has been scheduled for this same committee for Tuesday, January 24, 2017, at 3:00 p.m. central time, in Room #414 of the State Capitol.

You are informed that you have the right to appear before the committee in person and/or with legal counsel; the right to confront and examine all witnesses who are called by the committee, the right to offer evidence on your own behalf and your right to have witnesses subpoenaed to attend. The committee will consider the need to issue invitations or subpoena to individuals to provide evidence and conduct additional committee meetings. You are also advised that at the conclusion of the committee's business, pursuant to House Rule H6-7, the committee will make findings as to what has or has not occurred based on legally competent evidence, that is, based on the testimony of persons having first-hand knowledge of the events in question. The committee will only take testimony, which will be under oath, from eyewitnesses and will not be deciding this matter on innuendo or hearsay. The committee's findings will be based on the greater convincing force of the evidence which means, after weighing all of the evidence there is enough evidence to convince the members that something is more likely true than not true.

If the committee decides that, while serving as a legislator in 2015 and/or 2016, you did violate either or both Joint Rules 1B-1 or 1B-3, the committee, pursuant to House Rule H6-5, must determine what action it will recommend that the full body take. Those actions are either to expel, censure, or otherwise discipline you. On the other hand, if the committee does not find a violation it must then exonerate you. House Rule H6-7 provides, in part, that: "If the select

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committee report calls for expulsion, censure, or discipline, the report shall set forth the causes and grounds for the which expulsion, censure, or discipline is being recommended by the House of the Representatives, and it shall state the particular form of action recommended to the House of Representatives. If the select committee report calls for exoneration, the report shall set forth the reasons why exoneration is appropriate. "

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Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions concerning the procedures to be followed.

Thanking you, I am,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Timothy R. Johns". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "T" and "J".

Timothy R. Johns
Chairmen of the Select Committee on
Discipline and Expulsion

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cc: G. Mark Mickelson, Speaker of the House

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